



WAUNAKEE
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Accountability Report Cards

2024-2025 School Year

Mission, Vision, and Equity Statements

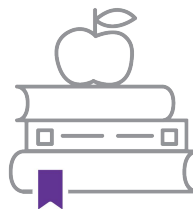
- **Mission Statement:** “Committed to Children...Committed to Community...Committed to Excellence”
- **Vision Statement:** The Waunakee Community School District is a collaborative learning community that works with students, staff, families, and the community to ensure that every student is ready for college and career; through a focus on data, research based best practices, and engagement with students to be active partners in their learning.
- **Equity Statement:** The Waunakee Community School District embraces the differences among our students, staff, and families. We work to provide a safe environment with access to resources, opportunities, and instruction for all students to reach their full potential in the classroom and beyond. We strive to create a culture of dialogue, acceptance, and inclusion. We are committed to engaging all students so that they may thrive academically, socially, and emotionally in an ever-changing multicultural society.



Points of Purple Pride



600+ Staff
15 Average Years of Experience
27 Current/Past Kohl Fellowship Winners
12 Teachers with National Board Certification



4,413 Students
6 Schools
8 4K Partner Sites



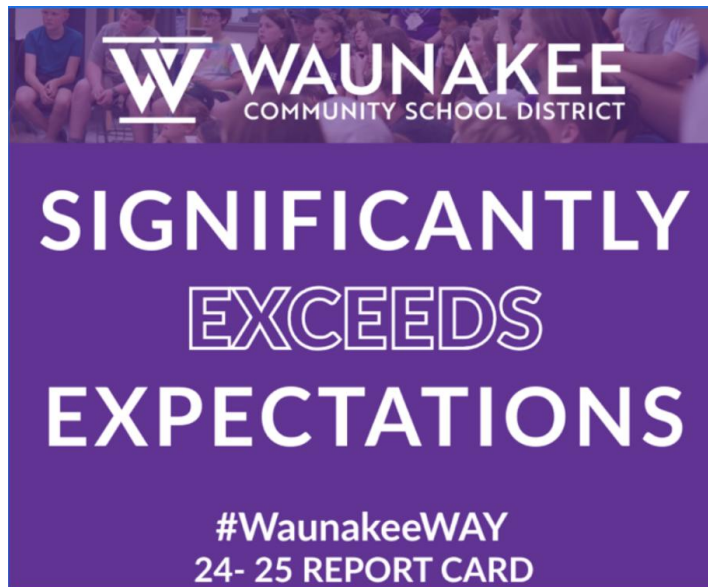
99.1% + Graduation Rate
71.5% + HS students with 3.0+ GPA
30 + National Merit Scholar finalists



Five Star Report Card
High Academic Standards
13 AP Courses
22.2 + Average ACT Score

BOARD APPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GOAL

All schools and the district will significantly exceed expectations or increase by 2 points annually by Fall 2029.



- Required under Wisconsin's federal and state requirements.
- Also a data tool for school improvement.
 - Local data
 - Benchmarking with other districts
- The process of calculating the total score is complex and varies by school level and demographics.
- Scoring usually uses last three years of data, but this year is two years of data due to scoring changes.
- Useful to look at overall score, trends, and percentile ranks.
- None of our schools are calculated with exactly the same weights.



- Schools and districts receive an index score on a range from 0-100.
 - Not a “percent correct” measurement.
 - Based heavily on the state assessments and does not measure everything we value.
- Based on performance in four priority areas.
 - Student achievement in ELA and math on state assessments.
 - Student growth on the state assessments
 - Target group in performance of a specific student group in the lower 25% of local performance. Must have a minimum of 20 students in group to generate reportable score.
 - On-track to graduation/post-secondary readiness.
 - 3rd grade ELA on the Forward Exam
 - 8th grade math on the Forward Exam
 - Student attendance
 - Graduation rate
- As you can see, based mostly on ELA and math standardized tests.



- Schools and districts are ranked in five levels. statewide.
 - Significantly exceeds expectations
 - Exceeds expectations
 - Meets expectations
 - Meets few expectations
 - Does not meet expectations
- All Waunakee schools exceeded or significantly exceeded expectations.





Key Takeaways

- Stable overall performance. Total score is the highest in Dane County (2nd last year) and in middle range (10th, up one place from last year) of our statewide benchmark group.
- Waunakee 13th among 140 Wisconsin 1300+ enrollment K-12 districts.
- All priority areas increased, especially the Target Group and Growth priority areas.
- Changes to report card rating thresholds and adjustments some scoring calculations make this years results partially but not fully comparable to last year. 2024-2025 resets the baseline.



Additional Takeaways-Year on Year Change

Data Point	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
% Open Enrollment	5.4%	5.5%	6.2%
% Students with Disabilities	9.5%	10.0%	9.9%
% Economically Disadvantaged	7.6%	8.3%	9.3%
% English Learners	3.1%	3.4%	3.8%
Total Score	79.4	78.9	84.6
Achievement Score	82.3	82.3	86.9
Growth Score	68.9	70.8	76.5
Target Group Score	66.4	64.6	76.6
On Track Score	90.4	89.8	91.2

Our District at a Glance

	Overall	Achievement	Growth	Target Group	On-Track
Waunakee	84.6	86.9	76.5	76.6	91.2
Dane County Rank (of 16)	1	2	3	2	5
Benchmark Group Rank (of 22)*	10	10	6	6	18

*Cedarburg, De Forest , De Pere, Franklin, Germantown, Hamilton, Hortonville, Hudson, Kettle Moraine, Kimberly, Menomonee Falls, Mequon-Thiensville, Monona Grove, Mukwonago, Muskego-Norway, New Berlin, Oconomowoc, Oregon, Pewaukee, Slinger, Waunakee, Whitefish Bay



Our Schools at a Glance

	Overall	Achievement	Growth	Target Group	On-Track
Arboretum	84.4	89.3	72.7	75.0	90.5
Heritage	81.2	82.4	62.2	74.6	74.3
Prairie	87.5	86.0	87.9	86.6	90.9
Intermediate School	95.1	87.4	95.4	99.0	91.2
Middle School	76.9	86.9	53.7	56.8	90.3
High School	80.5	82.3	78.4	70.4	91.0



Our District Detail

	ELA Achievement	Math Achievement	ELA Growth	Math Growth	Target Group Achievement	Target Group Growth	Target Group Chronic Absenteeism	Target Group Attendance/ Graduation	District Chronic Absenteeism	District Attendance/ Graduation
Waunakee	84.1	89.6	77.4	77.5	47.9	68.9	79.9	95.4	87.4	97.9
Dane County Rank (of 16)	2	1	6	3	1	11	7	7	6	5
Benchmark Group Rank (of 22)*	8	11	6	11	11	7	16	16	19	15

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